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State Library Notes

1996 DIRECTORY CHANGES

New Advisory Council Member:

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Lewistown, MT 59457
Phone: 406-538-4200
E-mail: jbradley@wln.com
South Central Federation User Rep.
Term Expires: 06/97

Address Correction:

Kathleen Bartlett
Advisory Council
6 Sawmill Fishing Road

Name Change:

Belgrade High School
Librarian: Melanie Korthas

New Library:

Billings Business College Library
2520 5th Ave. So.
Billings MT 59101
Library Director: Barbara Brazington
Phone: 406-256-1000
Fax: 406-256-4975
Federation Area: SOC
Open M - F 8am-5pm
[Barbara is a former State Library employee.
Congratulations Barbara!]

New Phone Number:

Billings/Deaconess-Billings Clinic Health
Services Medical Library
Phone: 406-238-2226

New Address, E-mail & Hours:

Cascade County Historical Society Archives
301 2nd Ave. No.
CCHS@orion.mtg.mtlib.org
Hours: Winter: M, F 10am-5pm; Tu-Th
10am-6pm; Sa 1-4pm
Summer: M, F 10am-5pm; Tu-Th 10am-
6pm

New Fax Number:

Whitehall, John Gregory Library
Fax: 406-287-3763

New Library Director:

Anaconda, Hearst Free Library
Director: Honore Bray

New Library Director:
Dillon City Library
Director: Barbara Fredrickson

New P.O. Box Number:
Polson City Library
P.O. Box 820

New E-mail Address:
Baker High School Library
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University of Great Falls Library
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Susan Lee/E-mail: slee@ugf.edu

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Company Law Library
Phone: 406-497-2111
Fax: 406-497-2451
New email address: snissen@mtpower.com
Please change on pages 4 & 62 of the 1996
Library Directory

Correction to the Montana Public Library Annual Report of Statistics for July 1994

through June 1995: A thank you to Dave Pauli for catching the error in the Missoula Public Library figure on page 12 of the statistical report. Under the category "Other Operating Expenditures" the figure should be "\$169,824." This would make the final total equal to \$819,888 and the library expenditure per capita equal to \$9.95. This change will affect the table on page 39 of the Top Twenty Lists/Highest Expenditures Per Capita. Missoula will be taken off the list and Laurel will be added with a per capita of \$15.38. And on page 40, the Service Area Population Top Five Lists/ Expenditures Per Capita, Missoula will be taken off the list and Billings will be added with a per capita of \$11.70. Thank you again to Dave, and please make these corrections in your statistical report. If there are other additions or corrections, please contact Diane Gunderson at 406-444-5349 or E-mail: dmgunde@msl.mt.gov.

MTBL Librarian to Speak to American Indian Higher Education Consortium:

A 1992 survey on two Montana Indian reservations indicated a lack of awareness of the Montana Talking Book Library (MTBL) and its services. MTBL is working to increase knowledge of the services among Montana Native American communities. The Montana tribal college librarians have played a key role in this effort. In October 1995, Kay Carlson of the John Woodenlegs Memorial Library and Tim Bernardis of Little Big Horn College Library hosted public forums where MTBL and three other agencies visited with members of the community about services available for people with visual disabilities. The participating agencies felt the public forums were successful and are interested in planning similar programs at the other tribal colleges.

Stacey Gordon, librarian of the Salish Kootenai College Library, invited Sandra Jarvie, MTBL Regional Librarian, to speak to the Librarians and Archivists of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium on the free public library service available to the visually impaired.

Farewell Open House: A farewell open house for State Librarian Richard Miller is planned for April 24th, 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the Montana State Library. Anyone who is unable to attend but would like to send Good Luck wishes to him may send them to Diane Gunderson, Montana State Library, P.O. Box 201800, Helena, MT 59620-1800. They will be presented to Richard at the open house. His last day is April 26th.

Darlene Staffeldt to be Acting State Librarian: The Commission has appointed Darlene Staffeldt, Statewide Library Resources Director, to be the acting State Librarian during the interim between State Librarians.

GIS in Education: Since its formation in 1994, the school subcommittee has been actively promoting the use of GIS in Education. The group expanding Public Night to include kids' activities, working with teachers on GIS projects in their classrooms, establishing endowed scholarships at both of the major universities in Montana, and developing a GIS Resource Box for teachers.

Public Night has been a part of the Users' Group Conference since 1991. At the 1995 Conference in Helena, an effort was made to include the K-12 crowd in Public Night. It successfully generated enthusiasm for more GIS involvement at the K-12 level.

The Users' Group also voted to establish scholarships at Montana State University (MSU) and the University of Montana (UM). Each endowment will be established at \$10,000; this will allow an annual \$500 scholarship to be granted in perpetuity. They aim to have both endowments in place by 2000.

This year's Public Night was expanded to include highlights of GIS projects from several Missoula area schools. Students as well as GIS professionals were present to answer questions about their projects.

Another goal is to put together both a physical and virtual GIS Resource Box to package GIS software, tools, and lesson plans that could travel from school to school. A homepage is in the works which has links to GIS freeware, data, and exercises for K-12 kids.

Check it out at <http://nris.msl.mt.gov/k-12/resource>. Contact: Ken Wall, 406-243-4347, E-mail: kwall@selway.umt.edu. Check out the web site: <http://www.forestry.umt.edu/mtgis>.

Commission News

February Commission

Meeting: On Feb 14th, the State Library Commission approved the six federation plans of service for FY 1997. Most of the federations addressed all five of the areas of emphasis established by the Commission: technology, continuing education, reference, resource sharing and consulting.

Other Commission actions at the February meeting included:

- ▶ Acceptance of the resignation of Missoula Public Library as Tamarack Federation Headquarters. All public libraries in that federation have been contacted to determine interest in assuming the role;
- ▶ Approval of the Statewide Long Range Plan [recognizing it as a working document that the new state librarian may wish to revise];
- ▶ Approval of the Collection Management Honor Roll;
- ▶ A public hearing on the federation Administrative Rule change.

The Commission also awarded up to \$99,874 of 1996 LSCA Title II construction funds to the Sheridan Public Library, contingent upon receipt of the funds from the U.S. Dept of Education. 1997 LSCA Title I and III Non-Construction grant funds were awarded in ranked order to Eagle Link (Sidney) - \$11,580; SLATE (Miles City) - \$25,308; NorCentralNet (Havre) - three grants totaling \$116,488; The Virtual Museum (Libby) - \$34,095; Have Laptop, Will Travel (Missoula) - \$51,306; The Last Best Web (Univ of Montana) - \$75,716; and TetOnline (Fairfield/Choteau) - \$70,593, also contingent upon receipt of funding and the resolution of the 1996 LSCA appeals process.

Commission Meetings: Dates have been set for State Library Commission 1996 meetings: April 25; May 30 and 31; August 21, October 3 and December 4. There is a possibility

that each of the last three meetings will be extended to two days; the listed date would be the second day in each instance.

New Federation Rule: A public hearing was held February 13 on the amendment of Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 10.102.5102. All those who spoke at the hearing were in favor of adding the following language to the current rule dealing with library federations:

(c) The state library commission does have the responsibility and authority to approve federation plans of service and does have the responsibility and authority to approve or deny funding for the components of the plans of service. A federation may not receive an appropriation from the state library commission until its annual plan of service for federation activities is approved by the commission. The state library commission can disapprove a plan of service only because it was not prepared according to the procedures and forms established by the state library commission, or because it does not address the authorized purposes and/or priorities as established by the state library commission to implement its state long range plan for libraries.

(d) Each federation's annual plan of service shall be based upon direction given by the state library commission from its consideration of the state long range plan for libraries. The annual plan of service is submitted to the state library each January for consideration and action by the state library commission at its February meeting. Changes or appeals related to the plans of service occur during February/March. These changes or appeals are acted upon by the state library commission in April/May of each year.

(e) Each federation shall ensure equal opportunity for representation of its member libraries and shall have approved bylaws which shall address approval procedures for the annual plan of service, proxy voting, quorum

requirements and other procedural matters necessary for conducting federation business.

(f) An appeals process shall be available for any federation which is denied funding. This appeals process shall follow the appeals process for denial of a grant as set forth in ARM 10.101.206.

The State Library Commission is expected to finalize the additional language at its April 25th meeting.

Public Library News

County Mill Levy on June Ballot:

On February 6, 1996, the Gallatin County Commission agreed to place the issue of increased tax support for county libraries on the June 4 primary ballot. The measure would authorize the county to raise the rural library mill levy from 1.5 to 5 mills. Only county residents living outside the city limits of Belgrade, Bozeman, Manhattan, Three Forks, and West Yellowstone will vote on the issue. The money provided would be divided among all five municipal libraries in Gallatin County.

More Montana News

Montana Collection

Management Honor Roll: The Statewide Collection Management Committee [SCMC] and the State Library Commission are committed to helping build shared databases of Montana library records so that libraries can better share resources and carry out formal cooperative collection development activities. The SCMC encourages libraries to put all their records into shared databases. The SCMC and the State Library Commission have honored the following libraries for their commitment to the shared database and to collection development in 1995:

- Montana State University Libraries, Bozeman

- University of Great Falls Library
- Salish Kootenai College Library, Pablo
- Blaine County Library, Chinook
- Glasgow City County Library
- Great Falls Public Library
- Havre-Hill County Library
- Lewis & Clark Public Library, Helena
- Flathead County Library, Kalispell
- Lewistown Public Library
- Phillips County Library, Malta
- Missoula Public Library
- Sheridan County Library, Plentywood
- Daniels County Library, Scobey
- Chinook High School Library
- Dawson County High School Library, Glendive
- Libby Middle School Library
- Libby Elementary School Libraries
- Libby High School Library
- Sidney Public School Libraries

National News

WLN Announces

Appointment: WLN has appointed Paul McCarthy as their new President/Chief Executive Officer. He has been serving as the Acting President/CEO in addition to his responsibilities as Chair of the WLN Board since last September. He was with the University of Alaska before accepting this position.

ALA Packet Available: The *Library Advocacy Now! Action Pack*, including a *Library Advocate's Handbook* and 25 quotable Fact Cards. Cost: \$10. Contact: ALA Graphics, Customer Service, 800-545-2433x7.

ACRL, CNI Offers

Preconference on Learning Communities: The Association of College and Research Libraries [ACRL] and the Coalition for Networked Information [CNI] will present a preconference "Librarian Leaders in New Learning Communities" on Friday, July 5 at the ALA Annual Conference in New York. The program will focus on preparing academic librarians to take

leadership roles on campus by participating in collaborative teams to create new Learning Communities employing resources of the Internet. Contact: 800-545-2433x2510 or E-mail: norcen.hale@ala.org.

Library and Information Studies Directory available:

A new Library & Information Studies Directory of Institutions Offering Accredited Master's Programs has been published by the ALA Office for Accreditation and Office for Library Personnel Resources. Single copies are free from the Office for Accreditation. Contact: Office for Accreditation, telephone: 800-545-2433x2432, <http://www.ala.org/accreditation>.

Selected Readings on Internet Content Regulation:

Internet content regulation, the attempt to restrict access to materials on the Internet considered "indecent," has become a hot topic. It has resulted in the approval of language in the current Telecommunications Competition and Deregulation Act that could prove problematic to libraries, librarians, and other institutions concerned with intellectual freedom. To help the library profession better understand the issues surrounding Internet content regulation, the ALA provides the following reading list. For analysis on specific Congressional legislation contact the ALA Washington Office.

Bruen, Robert. "Cyberporn Versus Cyberrights: the Test of Freedom is at the Edges, Not in the Ordinary." *HP Professional* v9, n10 [October, 1995]. p. 64.

Godwin, Mike. "The Wrong Spin." *Internet World* v7, n1 [January 1996]. p. 86.

Godwin, Mike. "The Marty Method: How the Smart People Were Conned by the Cyberporn 'Study'." *Mac World* v12, n12 [December, 1995] p. 324.

O'Connor, Rory J. "Net Users Assail Author of Cyberporn Study." *San Jose Mercury News* [July 15, 1995]. p. 1D.

Sowa, Frank. "CMU's Cyberporn Study: 'Rimm job' or Net-Control Conspiracy?"

Broadwatch Magazine v9, n10 [October, 1995] p. 65.

The following web site is also available:
URL: <http://www2000.ogsm.vanderbilt.edu/cyberporn.debate.cgi>.

Rapid Transition to Electronic Depository Program Planned:

The Government Printing Office [GPO] has developed a transition plan that assumes that nearly all of the information provided through the Federal Depository Library Program [FDLP] will be electronic by October 1998. Only 24 core publications would be available in paper. Efforts would made to allow depository libraries free access. The GPO plans to expend up to \$500,000 in FY'97 for "technology grants" to depository libraries that lack the resources needed to serve the public in the electronic FDLP.

Library associations are working together to get Congress to take 5-7 years instead of 2 years for this transition and to maintain more choice in

format. Libraries are encouraged to comment on the transition plan which will be available the end of March.

Go to the Documents Interest Group at the upcoming MLA Conference if you are interested.

Comments on the plan can be sent to the GPO. Call J.D. Young, Director of the Library Program Service: 202-512-1114 or E-mail: direclps@access.digex.nrc

New Libraries on the Information Superhighway Advocacy Network: LISAN, the Libraries on the Information Superhighway Network, has been established by the Library and Information Technology Association [LITA] and the Office of Information Technology Policy [OITP]. It includes more than 100 librarians representing a broad range of types of libraries from every region in the nation.

LISAN members will be available to speak and write on libraries and the

information superhighway. Contact: Nancy Roderer, Director, Yale Medical Library, 203-785-5352, E-mail: nancy.roderer@yale.edu.

Singer Faith Hill Featured in Literacy PSA: Country singer Faith Hill encourages children and adults to read and to use the library in two public service announcements. Hill, whose father cannot read, feels strongly about the literacy program. She has been called "country's hottest newcomer," and has won numerous country music awards in the last two years. The PSAs will air on CMT [Country Music Television] beginning this month. They began airing on Warner cable television stations in January. Audio versions will run on 2,500 country music, news/talk and college stations. Copies are available for local libraries. Contact: ALA Public Information Office, 800-545-2433x5044 or E-mail: pio@ala.org.

Calendar

Apr 14-20 National Library Week: "Libraries Change Lives"
Apr 16 Log on @ the Library Day, Call ALA Public Information Office 800-545-2433x5044
Apr 24 Open House for Richard Miller
Apr 24-27 Montana Library Association [MLA] 83rd Annual conference, Helena, MT

Apr 25 Montana State Library Commission Meeting
May 6 Center for the Book Idea Exchange Day - Washington, D.C.
May 7 Library Legislative Day Call 202-628-8410
May 10 Library Services Advisory Council Meeting, Helena
May 27 State Holiday [Memorial Day]
May 30, 31 Montana State Library Commission meeting, Helena
July 4-10 ALA Annual Conference NY, NY
July 19 Library Services Advisory Council Meeting, Helena

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